

## Ministerial Update - Feb 5

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### RCMP

- \* Expecting numbers to increase, about 500 on the hill and including demonstrators on horse back
- \* Fewer counter protestors than expected to prevent inflaming situation
- \* About 500 trucks in downtown core
- \* Farm equipment parked wrong way on albert and Lyon
- \* Additional convoys to arrive today and tomorrow, about 400-500 vehicles
- \* Downtown is not 100% closed off but people tend to find away around according to OPS
- \* RCMP is providing additional resources
- \* Tow trucks are a problem in Coutts , Ottawa and others. Drivers fear going into protest areas and looking at options on how to compel compliance
- \* Numerous convoys in BC but details haven't been firmed up. Largely slow roll protest in a number of communities
- \* Protests in provincial capitals. Toronto protests are well controlled, Quebec well managed. Winnipeg police have blocked off area. Minor injuries after protestors were hit by frustrated motorists
- \* Coutts has one lane open in each direction and RCMP patrols between checkpoints and border have been undertaken to keep road open
- \* Open source reporting that there are a number of horses anticipated at the RCMP checkpoint
- \* Some possible other checkpoints
- \* CBP will not move agricultural inspections away from sweetgrass MT
- \* Tow trucks are still a problem and likely that an RFA would be coming for military assistance.
- \* All options are still on the table such as injections
- \* Chief Sloly has advised 7 organizers represent 80% of protestors are willing to negotiation and want to be "meaningfully heard" by a higher level of government
- \* OPS has identified how fuel is coming in and looking at options like charges
- \* Regarding structures in confederation park, negotiations have yet to be successful and worried about threats of violence

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#### Transport

- \* Convening FPT calls on regulatory work and trying to coordinate insurance and regulatory work. OPS did find this helpful
- \* Looking at how different jurisdictions are handling this.
- \* Looking at Quebec, and NS regulations that puts in place a fine of \$10k for any one who blocks a road
- \* QC seems to be having better success at managing trucks

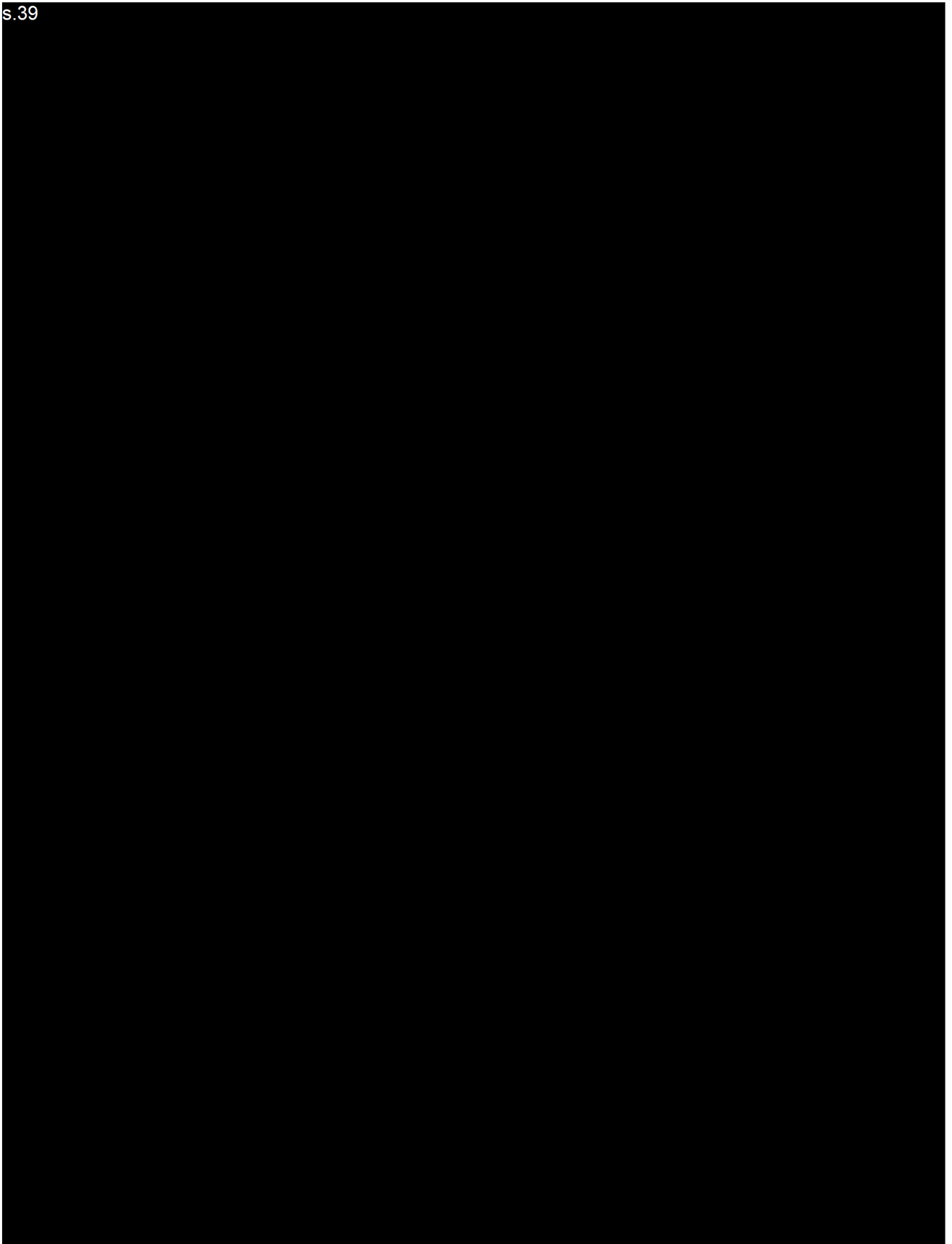
#### CBSA

- \* Coutts is open, no wait times, no traffic but if needed we can open other POEs
- \* Slow roll in Windsor near Ambassador Bridge
- \* Watching a possibility of something being built at the Bluewater POE
- \* There have been no targets turned around at the border

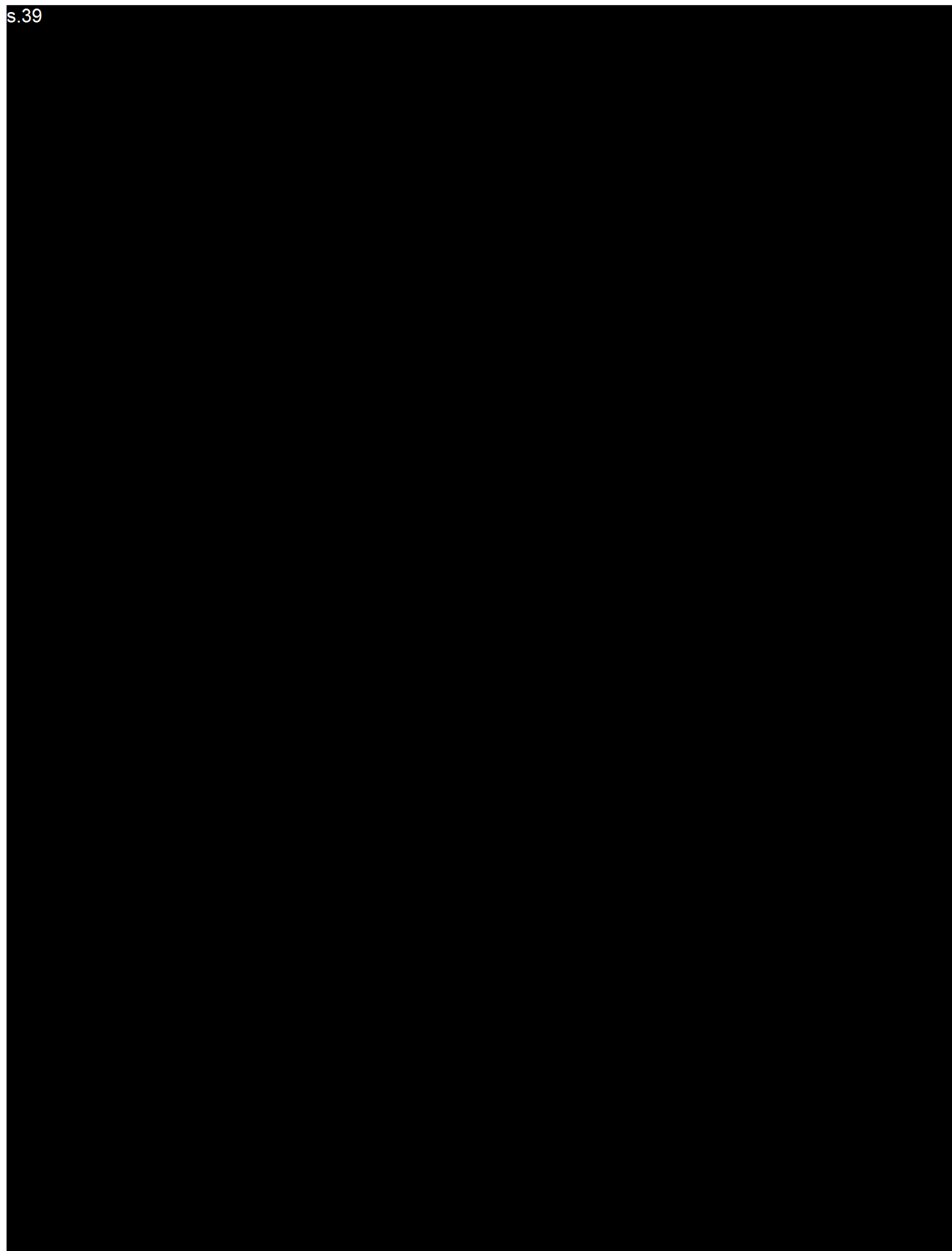
#### PCO S&I

- \* OPS plan for enforcement has yet to be delivered
- \* Freedom boat parade has petered out and changed into a vehicle protest in Halifax
- \* We talked on NS OPS about STRs with banks and movement of money from gofundme, giftsandgo
- \* FINTRAC is in this space and watching with bank compliance officers
- \* Spoke to work of Justice in the legal sphere and watching closely the class action suit by Paul Champ going after and naming up to 60 unnamed truckers

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